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1. INSTRUCTIONS FOR VOTING ON STRENGTHENING INTERNATIONAL SECURITY (SIS) RESOLUTIONS FOLLOW. CONFIDENTIAL

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- 2. ALGERIAN RESOLUTION: OPERATIVE PARA 4 OF ALGERIAN DRAFT RESOLUTION ON SIS IS IDENTICAL TO OPERATIVE PARA 3 OF 1974 SIS RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY UNGA. SINCE THIS OPERATIVE PARA CONTAINS UNACCEPTABLE LANGUAGE ON DISPOSITION OF NATURAL RESOURCES DERIVING IN PART FROM CERDS, TO BE CONSISTENT WITH 1974 NEGATIVE US VOTE ON SIS RESOLUTION, USDEL SHOULD VOTE NO ON ALGERIAN SIS RESOLUTION (EVEN IF US IS ALONE IN DOING SO) WITH EXPLANATION OF VOTE ALONG FOLLOWING LINES:
- A) WE CANNOT ACCEPT PARA 4 OF THIS RESOLUTION, SINCE IT WOULD INHIBIT STATES FROM MAKING ANY ATTEMPT TO INFLUENCE ACTIONS OF OTHER STATES IN CONNECTION WITH DISPOSITION OF THEIR NATURAL RESOURCES EVEN WHERE PERMITTED BY INTERNATIONAL LAW. FOR EXAMPLE, A FOREIGN COMPANY WHICH HAD A

JOINT VENTURE WITH A HOST COUNTRY ON THE BASIS OF AN AGREEMENT PROVIDING FOR OUTSIDE ARBITRATION OF ANY DISPUTES BETWEEN THE OWNERS COULD NOT HAVE RESORT TO SUCH A PROVISION IF ITS EQUITY WERE CONFISCATED.

- B) WE CANNOT ACCEPT THE CONCLUSION THAT SUCH COMPLETELY LEGITIMATE ACTIONS ARE IN ANY WAY A "FLAGRANT VIOLATION OF THE RIGHT OF SELF-DETERMINATION OF PEOPLES AND THE PRINCIPLE OF NON-INTERVENTION," OR WOULD BE A THREAT TO THE PEACE, AS THE LANGUAGE OF PARA 4 ASSERTS.
- C) WHILE OUR RESERVATIONS HAVE CONCENTRATED ON OPERATIVE PARA 4, WE ALSO HAVE OBJECTIONS TO OTHER PROVISIONS IN THE RESOLUTION.
- 3. WE UNDERSTAND EC-9 WILL ABSTAIN ON ALGERIAN RESOLUTION. IN RESPONSE TO EC-9 INQUIRY, DELEGATION SHOULD INDICATE THAT USG SEES NO VALUE IN ATTRACTING ATTENTION TO OTHERWISE LACKLUSTER SIS DEBATE BY CALLING FOR SEPARATE VOTE ON OPERATIVE PARA 4.
- 4. GDR-MONGOLIAN SIS RESOLUTION: THIS IS OBVIOUSLY SOVIET INSPIRED AND IS OBJECTIONABLE BECAUSE OF REFERENCES TO IMPORTANT AND POSITIVE ROLE OF CERDS, CERDS TYPE CONFIDENTIAL

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CONCEPT OF UNCONDITIONAL RIGHT TO DISPOSE OF NATURAL RESOURCES, AN OPERATIVE PARA CALLING FOR CONVENING OF WORLD DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE, AND OPERATIVE LANGUAGE ON CSCE FUNDAMENTALLY OPPOSED TO US POLICY (REF A). WE HOPE TO AVOID A SITUATION IN WHICH WESTERN ACQUIESCENCE IN UNGA SIS RESOLUTION COULD BE USED BY SOVIETS AT CSCE FOLLOW-UP IN BELGRADE IN 1977 TO URGE STEPS TOWARD EUROPEAN SECURITY SYSTEM. DELEGATION SHOULD ABSTAIN IN VOTE ON GDR-MONGOLIAN

SIS RESOLUTION WITHOUT EXPLANATION OF VOTE.

5. EC-9 HAS INFORMED US IN NEW YORK THAT THEY WILL ABSTAIN ON GDR-MONGOLIAN SIS RESOLUTION. TO EXTENT POSSIBLE, US MISSION SHOULD WORK WITH EC-9 DELS TO ENCOURAGE ALL WESTERN CSCE PARTICIPANTS TO ABSTAIN ON RESOLUTION. INGERSOLL

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